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## College Tidings.

Commencement Sunday is May 29th, which is the 5th Sunday in May. Commencement Day will be Tuesday, May 31st. 333 is our enrollment, and this has been a good session from many points of view.

Endowment payments have come in well and yet there are many payments due that have not been received. May fortune favor our friends and enable them to favor us!

About \$200 sent in for Ministerial Education during April and May would enable the Board of Ministerial Education to make a clear report to the Convention. Only a small minority of our churches have helped on this fund.

God bless our friends.

Yours,

W. T. LOWREY.

Clinton, April 18, 1904.

## Our New Baptist Quarterly.

The first number of the *Baptist Review and Expositor* issued from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., presents a very pleasing appearance. It is edited by the faculty of the Seminary, with Dr. Mullins as editor-in-chief, assisted by representative men from various sections of the country. We like this arrangement of having the various sections represented since it will save the quarterly from a provincial or sectional policy. We rejoice in the comprehensive standpoint and wide outlook of the management as outlined in the introductory article. There is a large place in our Baptist ranks for a safe, scholarly Review, such as this gives promise of being. The quarterly will supplant the Seminary Magazine and will appeal to a constituency which that journal never reached. The arrangement, by which the *Southwestern Theological Review* becomes consolidated with the quarterly, with Drs. Carroll and Newman added to the editorial staff, is indeed a wise one. If the high standard reached in the first issue is maintained we may expect a continuous feast of good things. The book review department by the Seminary professors is a very attractive feature to the busy pastor. We trust the *Review and Expositor* will have a prosperous career and that it will reach the desks of most of our preachers.

Price \$2.00 per year. A. T. Robertson, Business Manager, Louisville, Ky.

W. F. Y.

## Signs of Promise.

The glad days of April are here, bringing sunshine for the warming of seeds into life and the opening of buds and blossoms for

fruits. How marvelous the transformation of the past few days. This is the first glad mission month of the year, for in it the churches seem to vie with each other in the matter of giving the Gospel to the nations. There has been much said about this disposition of our people to put off doing the work until the very last month preceding the Convention. Well, there may be something in this solid movement of the Lord's children, that may possibly be worth more to the cause of missions than the saving of an interest account. More than once have I heard our postmaster sigh as I have appeared with my correspondence in the last few days, as he thought of the work for him. The receipts go out in every direction, and to obscure offices that few know about, and every now and then one entirely new to the secretary, which means that a Baptist church is up there or down there as the case may be and that pastor and people are interested in some degree at least in carrying out the Chief Captain's marching orders. Some of our Delta churches are in the list with no mean effort on their part. For instance, here is news from Sumner, where is that church of Bible name, Enon, and where Mize preaches, whose heart overflows at the prospect of a mission collection, and this time it is \$100 for foreign missions, while Moberly can scarce restrain himself at the good work at Leland with \$114, and Arcola with \$33, and just a little below is Hollandale with \$40.85 for home missions, and Greenwood, what? Greenwood again? Yes, they don't let up there on missions, dry or wet, measles or whooping cough, missions goes right on twelve months in the year. (The Eupora pastor found me in the midst of the stuff that had been snatched from the flames a few moments before of the great fire that swept Winona, and hardly waiting to say howdy he hastens to tell me the good news and begins to draw from his pockets the money of the collection. He makes it \$34.50, giving credit to Eupora for \$25 and to Kilmichael for \$9.50, an increase that augurs well for what these churches will do under the ministry of Bro. Phelps.) And along with these is a country church that is reaching out for better things and sends \$50, and thus emphasizes what its name (Bethel) implies. No man loves missions and works at it more than Pastor Young, whose mission churches respond with \$40 to the cause of State missions.

Coffeeville and Clear Creek must be taking lessons from Jeshurom and are waxing fat under the leadership of their new pastor, for here are checks that bring up their gifts to \$173 for foreign missions and home missions. Three country churches

that have as pastor a man who teaches missions and then by example impresses missions by himself giving, send \$107. Pastor Roper at South Side, Meridian, and Stonewall, has the confidence of his people and they heed his teachings on missions with \$183 for first quarter. Is it any wonder that these churches should be attracting the attention of all who know about them? Victory is theirs in His name if this evidence of their love only continues.

The Jackson depot is a most interesting place on Mondays about two o'clock. The young preachers from Clinton are returning at that hour to their college work after having been to their preaching places and may be seen moving quietly in the great crowd that gathers there, telling interestedly the experiences of the day before. I was with several of them last Monday, and here is a bit of the work of the day before: C. E. Welch has taken his collection at Anding and is happy as he turns over \$61.10. J. O. Crawford turns over \$40 from Little Bahala and \$10 from Zion Hill, while the smile on Steen's face is evidence not only of the good work at Ogden in a collection of \$20, but also of the organization of the new church at Ora in which he took part. Farr is returning from a good day at Reagenton where \$25 for foreign missions has been realized. So it goes, Jenkins from Damascus, Stone from Concord or Chunky, Culpepper from Antioch, and all burning with missionary zeal. With such a college, and with such a faculty, and with such a body of young preachers, what under God may we not hope for in the years to come?

A. V. ROWE.

## Judson on Missions.

Dr. Edward Judson, in a foreign missionary address full of eloquence and power, said: "We must be sure, however, that our Foreign Missionary spirit is genuine and not a mere fad. The sure test is whether we are interested in everything lying between the heathen and ourselves. To many of us distance seems to 'lend enchantment to the view.' We burn with enthusiasm over the miseries of people far away, but are limpt and nerveless as regards suffering close by. We find ourselves greatly interested in foreigners when they reside in their own land, so much so in fact that we send our best men as missionaries to them and pay their traveling expenses; but when the Lord puts it into the heart of these same foreigners to come to our shores, paying their own traveling expenses, instead of rejoicing over their advent we are sometimes inclined to turn away from them in despair. They do not look so picturesque near by. This is only the semblance of the true missionary spirit—a counterfeit, not the real coin"—Home Field.

### "The Field Is the World."

Since I left Mississippi I have seen and learned quite a good many things about the industries of the world. The button cutters at Canton, Mo., are very skilled workmen, the wages are from four to twelve dollars per day. They are very poor church goers (although Bro. Bute and I tried to get them out) and very few of them are religiously inclined at all. There are about three hundred button cutters in Canton, and not five in one hundred of them ever go to church. They have too much money to spend in sin.

In Salamanca, N. Y., there are two thousand men at work in the tanneries, and many of them are foreigners. They make from five to ten dollars per day. Much of the work is the nastiest work on earth. One of the tanneries made twenty million pounds of leather last year. The leather makers are "better church goers" than the button cutters, but many of them are tougher than some of the hides they make. The leather makers and button cutters think more of their "unions and lodges" than they do of the church or God Almighty.

The prisons of Columbus, Ohio, are full. Strong drink put most of the prisoners there. There are more "saloons" in Ohio than any other State in the Middle West, according to population, and I suppose the prisons will remain full. Two weeks here in prison work will convince any man what sin and liquor are doing for the race. In the Ohio penitentiary there are no "lodges and unions" for the prisoners to belong to, and most of the prisoners go to church on Sunday.

Every man that loves God at all ought to be against liquor. If he prays for the coming of the Kingdom, he ought to vote as he prays or else quit praying.

Brother Barney, at Dayton, Ohio, owns the largest car shops in the United States. He works 2,500 men in his shops and every man in the shops knows Brother Barney is a Christian. He is a deacon in Linden Avenue Baptist Church. He holds family prayers at night and passes the collection basket on Sundays, and any shortage in the expenses of the church at the end of the year, he supplies it. Many of the car men are Christians, and some of them have been in the shops for thirty-five years. They get from three to seven dollars per day and live better in their homes than the leather makers or button cutters.

The coal miners at Reynoldsville, Pa., work ten hours for, from three to five dollars per day, and get their doctor bills free, and if they did not have so many lodges to keep up and support so many "walking delegates" they could live like "kings." Lodges and liquor are the wage earners' worst enemy. "Why spend ye money for that which is not bread?" is the question every lodge man and liquor drinker should answer.

The glass blowers of New Bethlehem, Pa., get from twenty to one hundred and twenty-five dollars per week and they have a monopoly on the trade. None but a brother, son or father can be taught the

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art of glass blowing. The best glass blowers come from Belgium, but before they can join the Glass Blowers' Union of America, they must pay from three hundred to five hundred dollars into the treasury. The most artistic glass blower in the United States is now at work in the New Bethlehem factory. He works seven hours and twelve minutes each day and gets his \$125 per week. They work only five months in a year. The glass blowers are poor church goers and many of them are heavy drinkers, and only one man among them I found who was a Christian. If we could get the hard working wage earners to quit drinking, the saloon-keeper would have to go out of business in three months. Many a hard working man on Saturday afternoon and before Monday morning he has spent it all for whiskey, drinking himself and treating his friends. He goes to work Monday morning complaining of "hard times." Spending money for that which is not bread is the great mistake many of us are making. Sinful living causes nine-tenths of all the distress and hardships the flesh is heir to.

Here in Elwood, Ind., the tin plate men are three thousand strong. They work eight hours per day and get from three to ten dollars per day, according to skill. Quite a number of them are regular in attendance at church, and many of these are good Christians. But a great many of them drink. With a great many, the comforts and luxuries of the homes depends on the quantity of liquor drank rather than the wages received. In my meetings I make a special effort to reach the wage earner among the non-church going element. I begin a meeting every other day, going throughout the year. This gives me two Sundays at each place. Before the meetings begin cards of invitation are sent out to every home in the city, advertising the meetings, and the lectures at 3 p. m. on Sundays "To Men Only."

I give "Jerusalem under the Turks," "The situation in the Philippines," "Egypt under Johnney Bull," and "Rome under the Pope." Three thousand tickets to the men's meetings are given out on Saturday before, usually secures a good audience of men. The largest audience we have had so far was 719. I do my best for my Lord and His church in every meeting. If the men do as they are told to do, they quit cursing, quit drinking whisky, quit chewing tobacco, quit smoking and repent of all their sins, and turn from their sins, accept Christ in the pardon and forgiveness of sin, join a Baptist church and follow Jesus in baptism. May the energies of all the churches be doubled in getting men saved from drink and hell.

Memphis, Tenn. FRANK M. WELLS.

### Selfishness.

It may seem harsh to say it, but selfishness is no part of the Christian religion. On the contrary, sacrifice is the real basis. There was no selfishness in the life of

Christ. He humbled Himself; endured every possible sacrifice and finally suffered death. "If any man will be My disciple," He said, "let him take up his cross and follow Me." Again: "I have given you an example." Service is required.

The great bane of the church, is covetousness, which the Bible says, "is idolatry." Covetousness leads to all sorts of evils; being bred of selfishness—to gratify which Christians sometimes run great risks. We are told in the Word of God, that the "love of money is the root of all evil." Money and property are coveted generally for selfishness. Little is given to the Lord, and often there is no offering whatever.

Pride is the outgrowth of selfishness, and is manifested in various ways. There are churches priding themselves on having the largest membership, the finest house of worship, the grandest man in the pulpit, etc. None of these things are necessarily Christian, and do not always, if at all, obey the Redeemer's last command. Members may give, but do not sacrifice—neither in time, labor or money.

When Christians realize their duty and obligations, there will be marvelous progress in the conversion of the world. The old idea that preachers only were to labor for the advancement of the cause has been shown to be altogether erroneous. Every true child of God has a gift, and the demand is for its exercise—not for self-aggrandisement; but as a "minister of Jesus Christ." Laymen and women may minister.

It is a mistake to depend wholly on the preacher, especially if he simply ministers from the pulpit. Even if he be a pastor and faithfully shepherds his flock, the church must share in its service and the sacrifices. If he labors simply for his own congregation, regardless of others, his word may seem to prosper, but will not abide. Hence the tendency of some Baptists to centralization is dangerous, and the prompting of covetousness.

There are neighborhoods where churches ought to be established, and there are Christians who can do the work; but it will require service, sacrifice and offerings. It is not right to abandon a field as long as people are there and it is wrong to technically dissolve a church. In some cases it may be best to unite with another—but never dissolve, for letters thereby given are often held indefinitely, declaring the church in existence.

L. A. DUNCAN.

### The Preacher's Duty in Regard to Money.

The preacher who has a field of works and works it, is entitled to a support. The amount of that support will depend on the expensiveness of living in that field, and also with a view to his best usefulness. If he is to grow into the strongest man he is capable of, he must be able to take advantages that are so abundant, yet which cost something. Hence the wisdom of a liberal salary.

In building his salary and all that per-

tains to the temporal welfare of his family, the preacher needs business sense. The fact that a man has tried half a dozen business enterprises and failed in each one is not proof conclusive that he is called to preach. It is sometimes charged that preachers can't handle money judiciously, but this is not true or should not be. The economy practiced in some preacher's homes would make a splendid treatise on domestic economy if written up for the public.

It is all right for him to save something for a rainy day, if he can. It would be a great comfort and no draw back to spirituality. The great missionary Yates went to China on a small salary, but he started in to save 10 per cent. of it and did so. He made some investments very small sums, but they brought liberal returns and he did great good without it, for himself and others, and greatly helped the cause of Christ. His course was commendable, it is wise and righteous to save something, and also to invest it, provided the investment does not take the time and I thought that belongs to the Lord's work.

But the minister whom God has called to the work and blessed with a field that supports him is blame-worthy if he neglects his pastoral care. The pastor whose heart is in his work will find enough for all his talents and energies. The study of the Scriptures with other subjects bearing on his usefulness, pastoral visiting, etc., will be enough. Paul made tents to pay expenses while he preached the gospel, but you can't imagine him or any of the apostles stopping awhile to make money. We need very much that our ministers be thoroughly consecrated. There is a special need for preachers to be money wise with godly wisdom just now. We are prosperous, it was never so easy to make money, there was never so much money in circulation. Prosperity puts one of the severest trials upon Christianity in a community, and in this material age it is certainly true that men are in great danger of losing their religious zeal in their zeal to make money. And the people are to have more money in the future. What is to be the result? It will be blessed, if they learn to use it for God, otherwise it will become a curse. If the preacher catches the money making spirit, who will teach the people the better way? Every age has its special obligation resting on religious teachers. Their special duty now is to teach a prosperous people to hold their possessions subject to the will of God. In this as in other matters the minister must be an example, he must teach his flock that wealth is a means not an end. My impression is that the Baptist preachers of Mississippi are as liberal givers as are to be found in all the world. I know a number of them that are giving a tenth of income and there are many others of course, and they will all do so ere long.

J. P. W.

### "Ye Are My Disciples."

Some of John's disciples went with Christ, and on the day of the "draught of

fishes," he called them to permanent tutelage. On a later day, he chose the twelve to learn of him.

They were in a great school—great because of the Teacher. "He spake as never man spake." He said, "Call no man master." "Ye be brethren." The rabbis and priests had previously overshadowed the commonality, but now all are to be on a common level—"One" is your Master. "Hear ye Him."

It took the twelve a good while to comprehend; many an extra deed; the transfiguration, with the voice divine; Calvary and the open tomb; the walk to Emmaus with elucidation of Scripture as to his sufferings; the convincing of Thomas, with the others; the ascension, all, all were needful to exalt their conception and feed their faith—a faith, without which, all would fail. Principalities and powers would stand forth against them and they would need much of faith to stand as "seeing him who is invisible."

And this is our need.

"Oh, for a faith that will not shrink,  
Though pressed by every foe."

Then, let's open our door to all divine instruction. Our belated meeting will come later. Meantime, we think of pews and baptistry.

J. E. PHILLIPS.

### The Shorter Catechism for Baptist Sunday Schools.

In the judgment of the writer a great blunder was committed when our denomination exchanged the Catechism for the uniform series of Sunday School Lessons. I said so in The Baptist Record at the time and have been convinced that such was the case. May the day speedily come when our Sunday Schools will return to the Catechism, that the children may learn Bible truth in a way which will make them intelligent and that the truth may abide with them.

Of the number of Catechisms I have examined there is none as good as the Shorter Catechism, The Spurgeon Edition. It is thought by many that the Shorter Catechism is a Presbyterian book, but such is not the case. The Western Recorder has this to say relative to the Shorter Catechism: "The Shorter Catechism is not and never was Presbyterian. The Assembly which wrote the Catechism was a national body called together by the English Parliament and there were few Presbyterians in it. When the Assembly had prepared the Confession and Catechism the seven Baptist churches of London met together and adopted them, altering the chapters on the ordinances and church government. Baptists were the first to adopt them. Twenty years afterwards the Baptists prepared the London Confession of Faith, which, for the greater part, is the same as the Parliamentary one. The Presbyterians being Calvinists as we are use the Shorter Catechism but it belongs to us as much as it does to them. Spurgeon's edition of it is the Baptist one. The Baptist Book Concern publishes Spurgeon's Edition with two questions by the

editor of the Recorder."

If any Sunday School worker would like to examine this (to my way of thinking) of all catechisms decidedly the best, let him order one from The Baptist Book Concern, Louisville, Ky. It contains truth, solid truth and put in such shape as to give no uncertain sound. When a child has committed to memory the Shorter Catechism, there is laid in that immortal mind such truth, cardinal truth as will be of untold value as long as life lasts. And having been fortified with the truth, that one will never be an easy prey to the many seductive, erroneous religious theories and fads which invest our country. I have a Presbyterian friend who offered a prize of a ten dollar gold piece to every child in a certain class in his Sunday School who would commit to memory the Shorter Catechism entire. As many as six of that class took the prize.

I know of a Baptist sister who uses the Shorter Catechism in her Sunday School class. I have bright hope of those children, as bright as the hope of a Catholic priest relative to those children who study and learn the Catholic Catechism. The Catechism is the mighty agency of the Catholic church in moulding the minds of Catholic children. How wise they are. May we learn some lessons from them.

If the reader thinks the writer places too high an estimate upon the value of Catechism instruction his apology must be found in the fact that he studied and memorized a good Catechism when a Sunday School child, which has been of marvelous value to him through life.

I would suggest that after the Sunday School scholar has learned the Shorter Catechism he is prepared for the Bible class. Then the uniform series of instruction will be admirably adapted to his needs.

O. D. BOWEN.

Ellisville, Miss., April 10th, 1904.

### "Peace, Be Still."

HARRIET H. MADRY.

When the dark billows sweep over my soul,  
Its wavering, in vain, I strive to control.  
I feel myself sinking—my weak, human will  
Must fail; but a gentle voice whispers, "Be still."  
A calmness steals o'er me the world cannot know,  
While I long not to stay, or strive not to go,  
But wait and receive the blessing divine,  
That flows from the Spirit of God into mine.

Once in a season of lingering pain,  
My body all wasting, and fevered my brain,  
A dove, perched near—like a Heavenly guest—  
Cooed softly and soothed my tired being to rest.  
And oft in the pathway that leads unto God  
Our burdens grow heavy, still on we must plod.  
Till weary and fainting and ready to die:  
Then the Spirit of peace descends from the sky  
And lingers upon us; and, soothing our woes,  
Wraps all our frail being in Heaven's repose.

Then give me calmness—not as a lake  
Whose surface of ice knows no ripple or break;  
Nor yet like waters, all shallow that seem  
To flow, in the moonlight, as still as a dream;  
But give me the calmness of deep Galilee.  
When, over that raging and storm rifted sea,  
God put forth the strength of omnipotent will,  
And hushed the wild, roaring waters be still.

Senatobia, Miss., March 21, 1904.

## Books.

[Any book reviewed in these columns can be had by enclosing to THE BAPTIST price named. Let THE BAPTIST have your book patronage. We will treat you the best we can.]

*American Problems*, by Rev. Joseph A. Vance, is the title of a fresh, vigorous book of 252 pages just from the press of The Winona Publishing Co., Chicago, Ill. It is in substantial cloth binding and sells for 75 cents. The contents are divided into six chapters besides the "Foreword." Four of the chapters are devoted to four of the practical, burning problems of the day. The Negro, The Labor Question, The Liquor Problem and Municipal Government. To these is added a very sensible discussion of the problem of general vice. The discussion of the Negro problem while fair, mainly and entertaining and upon the whole the best we have seen, sends a thrill of surprise through the mind by the statement that the "nameless crime" is on the decrease. And, of course, it is unsatisfying in that that it does not tell in a sufficiently clear and practicable way just how the problem is to be solved. In the main, the author's ideas are very similar and in most points identical with those of Booker T. Washington.

His chapter on the Labor question will prove interesting and in some respects instructive. He discusses it impartially. What he says seems absolutely fair to both sides. His discussion of the liquor problem, while containing valuable ideas and suggestions, is not altogether satisfactory to some of us at least. He inclines to the opinion that the Dispensary plan is the best for meeting the whisky evil. The chapter on the general subject of vice is vigorous and in the main very correct. These causes of vice are suggested: "The human animal," which Plato taught; "the ignorant reason," which old Socrates contends for; "the perverted will," to which Aristotle clung as the cause of vice. The position is assumed that all vice proceeds from a depraved heart and that its only cure is found in the blood of Jesus Christ. In the main the book is very readable and satisfactory. The book would be of value to every preacher, because it deals in a fearless way with these great current questions.

*The Brook in the Pasture* is just from the press of The Winona Publishing Co., Chicago, 36 pages in white cloth; price 25 cents net. This is a fresh, devotional treatment of the 23rd Psalm, by Rev. John H. Elliott, D. D. It will be found suggestive and stimulative to any pious person. The author suggests that the 22nd and 24th Psalms should be carefully studied in connection with the 23rd; as in the 22nd we find the "cross," in the 23rd, the "comfort," and in the 24th, the "crown."

We have just finished reading "Christ's Boys and Girls," by Rev. H. D. Jenkins, D. D. It contains about 44 pages, bound in white cloth. Price 25 cents net. Published by The Winona Publishing Co., Chicago. The author believes in early con-

versions and insists that in a majority of cases the matter narrows itself down to early conversions or early ruin. He deplores the thoughtless sneers which are often cast upon early conversions, and saddles down upon parents a fearful responsibility in bringing their children to Christ.

## From Centreville.

As you know, the above town is located on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroad, near the line of Mississippi and Louisiana. They say its population is between 800 and 1,000. I do not know about that, but I do know that the population of a town does not determine its intelligence or piety. These elements of character seem to arise from other sources.

To say that the people of this place are intelligent and pious, would not overstate the case. They are an average people. There you will find a good school, good, honest business men, nice cultivated homes, and churches of various names. Of course there is plenty of room for improvement in every line of life. We do not claim to have "apprehended," but we press on toward the goal of higher attainments.

Our church is not strong numerically, but I feel that we are not spiritually dead. We have an interest in the preservation and spread of the gospel, contributing every two months to the different benevolent enterprises fostered by our Boards. We have a weekly prayer meeting where a few of the brothers and sisters meet for worship; have a Sunday-school for the children to which some of the children come; preaching twice a month; and—well, I not know how many have secret and family prayer.—By the way, do you care if I write you an article on secret prayer?

As Baptists, we do not believe that Christianity consists in a multiplicity of organizations, but depend entirely on the church composed of saints, bishops, and deacons. We are persuaded, after years of experience, that piety does not consist in the rattle and show of worldly matters, but in walking humbly and righteously before God day by day. If this fails, nothing else remains. Hence raffling, dime sociables, concerts, and other unscriptural methods have but a poor show in the way of raising money for the Lord.

When you have time, come and see us, and we promise you such as we have. This is a destitute county, there being but two active preachers in it. The county site (Woodville) has no preacher or preaching. Alas! Alas! what changes come over us—Woodville was once a Baptist strong hold. May God bless them with the Word. S. W. SIBLEY.

## The Catechism.

I am more and more convinced as the years come and go that Baptist catechisms should be taught more in our Sunday-schools than they are. I write these few words simply to call the attention of our Baptist people to this matter, a matter that in my humble opinion is very im-

portant. I may perhaps in the near future discuss this subject more fully and give some reasons for a more extensive use and study of catechisms in our Sunday-schools and in the homes of our people. I am satisfied that more use must be made of the catechisms than there is if we expect to see the rising generation of our young people become strong and well-in-doctrinated Baptists.

Some months ago I gave L. H. Shuck's catechisms to a good mother and sister in Christ, Mrs. W. V. White, who resides near St. Gilead Church in Lauderdale county, with the request that she teach the same to her little son Robert six or seven years of age. Three or four weeks after this, I was at the home of this sister and at my request she asked the little fellow all the questions contained in said catechism—one hundred and fifty in number—and he answered one hundred and forty-eight of them clearly and distinctly and in the exact language of the author. I said to myself, what a noble and good mother and what a bright little son. Would that there were more such mothers in our Baptist Zion. May the Lord spare the life of this little boy and may he some day make a great Baptist or New Testament preacher. The best wish I can make for any boy is that the Lord may make him a great preacher of the gospel—a Baptist preacher. Amen

J. R. FARISH.

## Summit, Miss.

I do not believe that the organized church choir contributes to or promotes spirituality in our churches. Spiritual growth among the membership is in proportion to the amount of interest taken in religious exercises and services by the membership. The "mounted" choir isolated from the congregation is taken by many as an invitation to keep quiet and listen while "we sing for you." Every church member who has a spark of the love of God in his heart delights in uniting his voice in songs of praise to Him and ought to have every opportunity and encouragement to do so.

There are many who, if deprived of this privilege, or the free exercises of the right to sing in the church meetings will lose interest in the regular services of the church and finally find an excuse to absent themselves from the meetings. It is true that there are many hymns sung by the choir that all may take part in, but the rendition of so many classical pieces, that none can sing but the choir, forcing the congregation to keep quiet and listen, has the effect to persuade many not to sing at any time, as the choir might render the old-fashioned hymns with greater skill and science without them. The stage is a better place for the display of musical talent than the church. The free exhibition of such talent in the house of God is not appreciated by the world because it is too cheap. Christians cannot appreciate and enjoy it because the Holy Spirit is not in it to make it enjoyable to them. Hence the danger of small congregations since the choir display is neither attractive to

saint nor sinner.

I verily believe, if we could once more get back—excuse me, I should have said up—to the good old days of Holy Ghost congregational singing, and as of yore, confine ourselves to the uplifting, soul-stirring old time gospel hymns, there would be an increase of interest leading to larger congregations and deeper spirituality.

J. R. SAMPLE.

## Durant, Miss.

While the glow of a good meeting is on, the pastor feels the impulse of telling every body about it. This pastor is in that state of mind just now, and he wants to tell the brotherhood of our meeting just closed at Durant. "Just closed" did I say! No, it has not closed. It would be more correct to say just begun, as to the effect. Bro. Sproles was with us eleven days, but before he came and during his stay, and since he left us, the Lord whom the preacher so lovingly honored, has been with us. The uplifting power of his presence is distinctly felt. It is pervasive. The church enjoyed and still enjoys the soulful truths, which the preacher opened up to us. But it went far beyond the limits of church membership. It was a subsoiling work and also a sowing, more than a reaping; and yet there was a joyful reaping of a few golden sheaves.

It seems a sacrilege to apply arithmetic to such a meeting—a quality rather than a quantity. It cannot be measured nor numbered. A strength, from which will come great things, causes us to look ahead for results rather than to look back on what we have enjoyed.

Our physical eyes see only eight souls gathered in, but the eye of faith sees the field ripening for an abundant harvest. The most apparent result of the meeting is a deep desire for better living and more faithful service, and it will bring forth a rich fruitage of grace.

T. A. MOORE

## Gone to Their Reward.

On my return from preaching the funeral of Rev. George W. Smith, the sad news comes to Sister Nannie Simms Garrett of the death of her father, Rev. Jonathan Simms, of McCool. It was my pleasure and profit to know Bro. Simms quite well! During my pastorate of five years at Kosciusko, we were much together in the Lord's work, and a better or more lovable man I never met.

May the death of these noble men of God fill us with greater aspiration for usefulness in the Gospel ministry.

E. E. THORNTON.

## Extracts.

## TAKING THE CUP OF SALVATION.

The unbelieving and disobedient refuse the cup of salvation. The very first act of the believer is to accept salvation at God's hands, and this taking of the proffered cup of divine deliverance is an expression of confidence in God. It may be done in a

spirit pleasing to God, becoming an act of grateful worship. If we cannot make to our God a recompense for all his benefits we can at least accept salvation with gratitude and praise. Drink deep of the cup of salvation!

## CALLING ON JEHOVAH IN PRAYER.

He encourages us to come before his throne with our petitions and our praises. The believer is not dumb, but can pour out his requests before God; and God is glorified by our coming to the mercy-seat. With lips unsealed and heart overflowing, let us draw nigh to the throne of grace.

## PAYING VOWS IN PUBLIC.

The Old Testament saints often made vows to Jehovah. The public payment of such vows called the attention of other worshippers to the goodness of God. It is well to let our light shine before men, if we are careful to advertise the goodness of God rather than our own liberality. Better not let the left hand know what the right is doing than to perform acts of worship in order to win praise from men. But a thank-offering made publicly may induce others to take note of the kindness and grace of God in their lives.

## MINISTERING TO THE NEEDY.

That is a mark of pure and undefiled religion. Gratitude to God is acceptable when it comes from a heart full of sympathy for the destitute and sorrowing. A symphony of praise from trained orchestra and choir is not half so pleasing to our heavenly Father as a visit of practical helpfulness to a needy home.

## LIVING A PURE LIFE.

Every spotless life is a song of praise to God. We are living epistles known and read of all men. "What you are thunders in my ear so loud I cannot hear what you say!"—John R. Sampey in Baptist Union.

## Mexico.

There have been a great many deaths in Mexico from Pneumonia during the past winter.

After suffering through January and February from heavy cold, verging on La Grippe, Missionary J. G. Chastain yielded to an ugly case of erysipelas which covered his head and face and laid him aside for four weeks. But he is now slowly recovering his flesh and strength, and hopes soon to be able to resume his work.

## The Gift of a Book.

The Watchman correctly says: Perhaps there is no gift that may mean so much to the recipient as that of a well-chosen book. The check will be soon spent, the jewel, lovely and precious as it is, appeals to the eye rather than to the spirit. But a book that turns my thoughts into a better channel, that imparts a wider outlook and a juster perspective, that makes the blood run faster because, while it inspires more generous impulses, it hardens the will—the gift of such a book is one of the very best things that can be bestowed by man upon man. And it is a mistake to suppose that books are so abundant and accessible—al-

most every New England town at least having its own public library—that our friends do not care for remembrances of this sort. However numerous the books you may know as acquaintances there are some you wish to keep as friends. Those of which we have just been speaking do not do their best for us when they visit our homes for a week; to do that they need to be always within call, and to have a place in our intimate circles. The friend who makes us the possessor of such a treasure links himself with some of the choicest experiences of our lives.

We call the attention of our readers this week to the fact that J. W. Patton, of this city, bought out the interest of Mr. White in the music business formerly known as Patton & White, some time ago, and will continue same at their old stand in this city. Mr. Patton was the original owner of this business before Mr. White entered it, and is thoroughly acquainted with all its details as well as the wants and requirements of his friends and patrons. We can say without fear of ever having to retract the statement that Mr. Patton will never leave anything undone which will please those who trade with him. We therefore bespeak for him a goodly share of the patronage of our readers. When wanting anything in the music line write to him for catalogues and prices.

## An Outrageous Defense.

Again and again it is stated that prohibition does not prohibit, that it is impossible to stop the traffic, that men will have liquor and men will sell it—which is simply another way of stating that the men engaged in the liquor business care nothing for law, defy authority, and propose to set at naught the government which protects them, and to which they, as good citizens, are bound to submit.

No other class of law breakers, so far as we are aware, take this position. The thief does not publish a paper to show that it is impossible to execute the laws against stealing; he does insist that he shall be licensed to steal because if he is not licensed he will not steal anyway. No editors take upon them to say that it is impossible to enforce the laws prohibiting murder, and therefore it is better to regulate and control crimes which cannot be suppressed. Nor do we find any newspaper organ advocating the licensing of horse thieves on the ground that it is impossible to prevent horse stealing, and therefore it is better to have the money that the licensing will bring, and have the practice regulated, than it is to have horse-stealing go on without any restraint whatever.

These illustrations simply show the absurdity of the rum-sellers' pleas. The man who stands and says you cannot execute a constitutional law, thereby proclaims himself a defiant law breaker; and the men who urge and echo these pleas show that they themselves are disposed to abet crime and encourage criminals.—The Christian.

### More Prayer—Larger Gifts.

The supreme duty of the Christian should be to seek to establish the kingdom of God in the world, and one of the very first evidences of conversion is the intense desire to have others participate in the joy which comes with the knowledge that God has forgiven our sins and made us heirs of eternal life. Unless we have this desire, we may reasonably question whether or not we have been "born of God"—certainly we are not showing a spirit of obedience to His command to disciple all nations.

A poor traveller, sick and faint, hungry and in rags, found rest, comfort, food and clothes in the home of a good man. He was tenderly nursed back to health and strength, and no charge was made against him save only that he should direct others in his sad condition to the same home for similar treatment. What a monster of ingratitude would he prove to refuse this request! And so Christ has healed us and fed us and made us joint heirs with Himself, and the only return demanded is that we shall tell others who are sinsick and dying of this tender, loving Savior.

By praying and by giving it is possible for us to proclaim the glad tidings to all men. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he shall give it you." Prayer brings the child of God into the presence of his Father, and it is the invisible chain that links together the hearts of all the Father's children. God has told us that He will give us the uttermost parts of the earth and the heathen for an inheritance. Will He not give us America? Surely He will if we ask it. Then let us be definite, as we shall come before him in this session of prayer and special effort for the Home Board, and let us plead with Him to save our Southland.

Much has been said and written about the proposition that should be returned to God and how much should be retained for one's own use. The Christian should recognize that he belongs to God—soul, body, mind—and whatever he may possess is God's also, to be used for His glory alone. If his income he should honestly seek to find out how much is necessary for food, clothing, shelter, mental culture, recreation, etc., to the glory of God. All that remains should be used for God. Upon this basis the tenth—which I believe is the very lowest financial mark for Christian effort—sinks into insignificance, and our irregular, spasmodic giving seems an insult. What a difference in our manner of living would such a distribution of our means make, and how full would be the treasuries of the Boards of the Convention and of the States!

Sisters of the South, applying this principle to ourselves, how much have we spent of the Lord's money that we had no right to during the past year? If it were possible for to gather it all together and bring it as an offering to our Home Board during this "Week of Prayer and Special Effort for Home Missions," what an en-

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largement there would be in its income! Since we cannot do this, with hearts overflowing with gratitude for God's wonderful love and mercy towards us, and to show our intense desire that our own land may know Christ throughout its length and breadth, let us make at this time such an offering to our Home Board as we have never made before! Indeed, if we raise the \$40,000 for which we are aiming, we must make this effort and make it now. May God help us to see and seize the opportunity He has given us!

(MRS.) J. A. BARKER, Pres. W. M. U. Clifton Forge, Va.

### Negroes of the South.

For several months the Home Mission Board has been investigating carefully the situation among the Negroes of the South. A large and judicious committee was appointed of brethren who have had practical experience in the work with Negro Baptists in the South and who are to be trusted to avoid the easy danger involved in such an undertaking as was proposed.

We are happy to inform you, in order that through your paper you may inform the brotherhood, that two committees, meeting in a joint commission of the Home Mission Board and the Board of the Negro National Convention, held a meeting in Atlanta last week and after full and extended discussion the proposals of the Home Mission Board in principles, plan, purpose and detail, were agreed to and reported back to the two Boards represented for approval and further elaboration of the minor details. The movement and the plan is comprehensive and far-reaching. In it we profit by the mistakes of the past. It means that the Southern Baptist Convention will at last lend itself to its nearest, neediest and ripest field of missions. The Home Mission Board will conclude the details of its proposition at its next meeting and will be enabled to present to the Convention at Nashville a great undertaking, carefully planned and adapted wisely to practical conditions. We have been encouraged by recent discussion in your paper and others to believe the time is now ripe for such a movement and we rely upon you to lend enthusiasm and support to the Board and to the work itself.

We send this letter of information to you that your people may be informed of the great conference which has resulted so auspiciously and will, we believe, mark the beginning of a noble movement among Southern Baptists in this great and difficult field. The Board for its present and its future needs trusts to the generous and intelligent liberality of the Southern Baptist people.

Fraternally,  
JOHN E. WHITE, Chm. of Com.

### A Few Chips From Mobile.

It is not the intention of this scribe to impose upon you continually, but just a word or two now, please.

Since, my last scrap to THE BAPTIST I have become connected with the Southern

Business University, of this city, and am now sponging upon the editor for free advertising enough to make this announcement to my Mississippi friends and to add that this is an old, well established commercial college and that we are out for business.

I note in last week's issue the editorial under the caption, "The Easter Abomination." Oh my! In Mobile and other coast places especially! We who live down here can surely appreciate Dr. Searcy's timely words in the same issue to the effect that this priest-ridden coast country still furnishes an important field for Home Mission effort. One of our brethren who had labored in both sections was heard to say he would much prefer to cope with the infidelity of the North than the Catholicism of the South." So is any one impressed who comes here and observes how deeply rooted are the talons of Romanism. While various other churches in our city were carrying out their special programs last Sunday, Dr. Cox, our pastor, announced to his morning congregation that he would celebrate Easter Sunday night by burying in baptism some candidates, adding the remark that we, as Baptists, celebrate the resurrection oftener than any people within his knowledge.

Another subject please allow this observer to touch upon, that is the advertising matter in a religious newspaper. I believe if the people really understood the true situation there would be less criticism about the amount of space used for this purpose in our religious periodicals. I was once engaged in the newspaper business myself and therefore know how to appreciate what can be obtained from this source. Ordinarily the newspaper business is by no means an occupation calculated to enrich very rapidly those engaged in it, especially can this be said of the religious newspaper, whose management is supposed to use more discretion in admitting advertising matter than is the secular editor. Of course if all our people would take and pay cash for the denominational paper the necessity of carrying advertising matter would be reduced to a minimum or done away entirely. But we know this is not the case, neither is it likely to be any time soon. So those who are disposed to criticize our paper along this line might let up, remembering the fact that it being necessary to give so much space to advertising is in reality an arraignment of our people for not supporting their paper as they should.

Very fraternally,  
L. L. SHOEMAKER.

Lena, Miss.

After an absence of nine years associating with Texas Baptists I am back on my native soil and at work in one of the most important fields in Mississippi, preaching to three churches—Lena two Sundays, Walnut Grove one Sunday, and Good Hope one Sunday. All the readers of THE BAPTIST will remember that at Lena is located the Harmony Baptist Institute, one of the best interior schools I have ever

known, with a corps of eight teachers, with J. F. Parkinson and W. W. Venable as co-principals; the former an old schoolmate of years ago and dearly beloved. And while I did not know Venable, I knew the matchless R. A. Venable, his father, and his venerable grandfather, Dr. Webb, whom I love second to no man, and this has drawn me to Wm. Webb Venable as well as his own merit. But we are pained in school circles here that these worthy and exceedingly strong young men are not going to remain with us. We can ill afford to lose them. The enrollment this session I am told has gone over 250 pupils.

Then at Walnut Grove the Mississippi Central Normal is located and they are doing a high class of work.

I have strong congregations at each place. I found these churches in good condition, having been under the leadership of Bro. T. J. Moore for a number of years, who is now bringing things to pass at Prentiss. My field has been apportioned for missions this year now closing, \$260. We have about 300 members. We will soon give one dollar per member.

Yesterday we rounded out the one hundred dollars for Home and Foreign Missions from the Lena Church. Good Hope has come up with her apportionment, \$50, and Walnut Grove will get her amount this month.

Would be glad to join the host of collaborators to the S. B. C. but on account of commencement duties in our school at that time I shall forego this pleasure. The Lord willing I shall meet you in the convention in Hattiesburg in July. Reading so many communications in THE BAPTIST each week from old friends beloved, makes me even impatient to meet you. You will rejoice with me when I say that we already see signs of the Holy Spirit's work in our work. On last night I made a proposition after having preached on the love of Jesus, when five of our beautiful school girls and two of the strong young men coolly and deliberately came up and gave me their hands in token of their desire to become Christians. We are happy in our work.

We are here brethren for work, anything you want to do in God's name we shall be pleased to help. God bless you all.

Yours in His service,  
W. E. DEAR.

### Ordination.

Sunday evening, April 10th, 1904, Crystal Springs Baptist Church met in conference for the purpose of ordaining Bro. O. L. Thompson to the full work of the gospel ministry. The pastor had previously invited Brethren W. S. Rogers W. J. Williams and J. F. Tull to sit in council with the church. These brethren, with the pastor, formed the presbytery of which Bro. W. S. Rogers was elected chairman and J. F. Tull secretary. Bro. Rogers conducted the examination, Bro. Williams preached the sermon, Bro. Ellis led the prayer, Bro. Tull delivered the charge and presented the Bible, and Bro. Thompson pronounced the benediction. Bro. Thompson evinced con-

siderable knowledge of divine things, and impressed all present with his earnestness and zeal for the Lord's cause. We predict for him a wide career of usefulness, and to that end our prayers shall follow him.

J. F. T.

### Work of the National Baptist Convention (Colored).

The following report may enable us to appreciate the true spirit of our day as it applies to this race so intimately connected with our civic life. The Home Mission and Publishing Boards at Nashville, Tenn. (colored), are supporting one field secretary, six district secretaries and two female missionaries, to travel throughout the United States and do missionary work. They are co-operating with State Conventions, Associations and Sunday School Conventions in supporting twenty-two other missionaries in the different States. These missionaries and district secretaries have preached 2,550 sermons, delivered 1,905 Sunday School addresses, attended 1,500 prayer meetings, addressed 1,300 young people's meetings, addressed 1,200 women's missionary meetings, visited more than 3,000 homes and held prayer in them, organized 60 Sunday Schools, organized 150 missionary societies, given away \$1,774.65 worth of books, Bibles, tracts and Sunday School literature, traveling over 99,612 miles. The corresponding secretary received and answered 64,956 letters during the last year. The Publishing Board sent out 5,509,000 copies of Sunday School periodicals, and printed and sold \$58,658 worth of books and Bibles.—Woman's Work.

### New Era Institutes and Other Work.

The New Era Institute work among the Negroes is in operation now in Virginia, North Carolina, Missouri and Kentucky. In those States the results are good; at any rate the State Mission Boards co-operating are satisfied with the arrangement and recommend its continuance. In co-operation with the Maryland Union Association, the Home Mission Board is aiding in the support of three missionary pastors whose labors have made a fine impression on the Negroes of Maryland. The Board contributes to the support of Rev. W. H. McAlpine, D. D., Theological Instructor in the Selma University, Selma, Ala., and is aiding in the support of work among the Negroes in several other Southern States with which it is in co-operation in general mission work.—Woman's Work.

### A Praying Ministry and a Praying Church.

God has a good deal more to give than most Christians are getting. Not many have learned the secret of demanding and getting from God just what they need. The Christian church is lean simply because she is not versed in "kneecology." The pressure brought to bear upon the ministry by the church itself takes the time he ought to spend pulling fire out of the sky until his own soul would set a thou-

sand other souls ablaze. What do we mean? The social life of the church, the financial side, numerous societies, pastoral visiting, weddings, funerals, demands for intellectual sermons, addresses, lectures, calls at the door, and telephone, all take the time of the preacher, some of which at least he ought to spend on his knees.

If we could have a praying ministry who wrestle with God until sermons come flashing out of the skies, rather than wholly off a book shelf, what a glorious transformation would occur in many a church! Prayer that "gets through" is a sure cure for ministerial fruitlessness, questioning the statements of Scripture, or a desire for popularity. And then if this great desire to pray should become contagious among those who sit in the pew, how the love of God would be kindled in a multitude of hearts, how a passion for the lost would spring up, how the prayer meeting would flourish! And then if the whole church would get the idea of prevailing with God like Jacob, or Moses who prayed and saved a nation, or Elijah who prayed and shut up the heavens for three years and six months so that it did not rain, or Paul and Silas who prayed the prison doors open, or Baxter who stained the walls of his study with praying breath, or Finney who prevailed with God and then gave his revival lectures that sent a thrill of revival around the world, or Hooper Crews who prayed all night for his church at Springfield, Ill., and God gave him seven hundred converts, or David Brainerd, the faithful, devoted missionary to the Susquehanna, Delaware and Stockbridge Indians. He prayed night and day in the forest, preached through a drunken interpreter, and scores of Indians were converted. William Carey read his life and went to India. Payson, Murray, McCheyne and Jonathan Edwards were greatly influenced by reading of Brainerd's prevailing with God. O, for a praying ministry and a praying church. What might be accomplished through the resistless power of true prayer?—The Soul Winner.

### An Expensive Badge.

A young man in a London omnibus noticed the blue ribbon total abstinence badge on a fellow passenger's coat, and asked him, in a bantering tone, "how much he got" for wearing it.

"That I cannot exactly say," replied the other, "but it costs me about £20,000 a year."

The wearer of the badge was Frederick Charrington, son of a rich brewer, and the intended successor of his father's business. He had been convinced of the evil of the ale and beer trade, and refused to continue in it, though it would have brought him an income of £20,000 a year.

He preferred a life of Christian philanthropy to a career of money making; and his activity soon made him known through the kingdom as a most successful temperance evangelist. His work, organized in the tent meeting on Mile End Road, has grown steadily for twenty years, and now fills "the largest mission hall in the world."—The Watchman.

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## Hinderers.

From what we know of Paul's zeal for converts, it is safe to say he would have been the last man in the world to pass by an open door to the gospel; yet he did that very thing at Troas on his third missionary journey. He tells us about it in II Corinthians 3:12-13. He had shortly before left Ephesus, where he tarried to enter an open door in the face of many adversaries. See I. Corinthians 16:8-9. At Troas there must have been some tremendous pressure to cause him to turn away from this inviting door, open for the gospel. His failure is to be traced to those who ought to have been most active in assisting him. While at Ephesus, tidings had come to him of division and grievous sin in the church at Corinth. From Ephesus, he had written to the Corinthians with a view of correcting these evils. He anxiously awaited to hear how his instructions were received, arranging with Titus, who had been sent to Corinth, to meet him at Troas with tidings of the reception of his first letter. Arriving at Troas and failing to meet Titus, he says: "I had no rest in my spirit because I found not Titus, my brother." We must not censure Paul too much for his anxiety, for the trouble at Corinth was of a very serious character, and together with the care of all the churches, was enough to cause him anxious thought. The division in the church at Corinth was even more far-reaching in its effects than the gross sin which the church had tolerated. The cause was really to be found in the track of the slimy serpent of Judaism; which could be traced not only in Antioch and Galatia, but almost everywhere the apostle had preached. Its insinuating character threatened to destroy all that the apostle had accomplished. The real question that confronted Paul, in his contest with the Judaizers, was, as Howson suggests, "Whether the church of Jesus Christ should degenerate into a mere Jewish sect, or be Catholic and spiritual, open to all

believers." This was enough to make one of Paul's temperament anxious and restless, and when week after week passed and Titus failed to keep his engagement to meet the apostle, his burden weighed down and unfitted him to enter the open door before him. We do not know enough about the circumstances to say how far Titus was to blame. We do not know that if he kept his engagement, to meet Paul, that open door could have been entered, for when he did meet him later in Macedonia he brought good tidings, by which the apostle was greatly comforted. Primarily, the Corinthians must answer for Paul's failure to enter the door at Troas.

This bit of early Christian history is repeating itself all around us today. We can all call to mind many pastors who have to spend so much time and strength on the hinderers that they pass by many open doors. Here is a young Christian standing before an open door, ready to enter and occupy a position of usefulness in the Master's name, when some unkind criticism or inconsistent conduct of older Christians causes him to turn aside and leave the door unentered. Sometimes a church has a door opened through which she may enter some larger sphere of usefulness by enlarging her equipments for work, occupying some mission field, or increasing her contributions to missions in general, when a cold, calculating spirit of covetousness on the part of some influential members causes her to pass by and leave the open door to the enemy. The forces of righteousness are sadly crippled and many an open door has been left unentered through the fault of those who ought to have been in the vanguard of aggressive Christianity. Oh! what doors, great and effectual, are open before us as the portals of the twentieth century stand ajar for the advancing hosts of humanity! If we do not enter, must not the failure and its consequences rest upon the hinderers?

## Notes and Comments.

Bro. H. A. Wolfson, the evangelistic singer, who some months ago found him a wife in the Lone Star State, has gone into business in Denton, Texas, the home of his wife. This means that the brethren need not write to him any more about singing in evangelistic services.

Bro. B. H. Carroll, Jr., who has recently returned from extensive studies in Germany, has been elected professor of History and Economics in Baylor University. If this young scion has anything of the ability and scholarship of his worthy sire he will make himself felt in the educational life of Texas if he accepts this position.

Many churches are making arrangements to send their pastors to Nashville. The fact that the messengers have to pay their own expenses make it hard for many pastors to go. Brethren, the inspiration and enlarged horizon which your pastor brings back with him makes the payment

of his expenses a good investment for his church or churches. If the laymen "must stay by the stuff," as most of them claim, then let them do some good by helping to pay the pastor's expenses.

We see from an Atlanta correspondent in the Western Recorder that our Brother J. K. Pace, now pastor at Jackson Hill Church, Atlanta, has just returned from a three month's stay in Florida whither he has been in search of health. He is reported as much improved and we trust is now on the high road to recovery. Bro. Pace has many Mississippi friends who are much interested in his welfare.

The Methodists of New Orleans have recently purchased an elegant residence in one of the most desirable residence districts of that city for the use of Bishop Morrison who will make his home there. The residence will be turned over to him for his use as long as he lives. This will tend to strengthen the cause of our Methodist brethren in the Crescent City. We bid a hearty God-speed to every force that makes for evangelical Christianity in that priest-ridden city.

Dr. Morehouse announces that the collections of the Home Mission Society of New York for the fiscal year just closed pays all obligations of the society and furnished \$6,000 additional toward an old debt. We congratulate our northern Baptist brethren on the prosperous condition of the home mission work. A prominent feature of this work is the schools for the Negroes of the South of the character of Jackson College at our own doors. We have great faith in the good this school is doing in inculcating Christian character in the men and women who are to be the leaders of the race.

The Christian Observer states that the receipts of the Presbyterian church of the South for foreign missions during the fiscal year closing March 31st were \$236,528.72, an advance of 31 per cent over the previous year. Southern Baptists must make an advance of about 37 per cent over their contributions of last year if they reach the \$300,000 mark which was set by the last convention. Their per capita contributions for foreign missions will be considerably below that of Southern Presbyterians then, which, The Observer states, is nearly one dollar per member. When Southern Baptists reach one dollar per member for foreign missions we will be felt as one of the mightiest evangelizing forces on the globe.

The Religious Herald states that some brother does not care to attend the coming Convention at Nashville because he knows that the same old speakers and preachers will occupy the platform and pulpits. Whereupon the Herald proceeds to advise the younger members of the Convention to take a more active part in the proceedings. Now we have no objection to having the younger brethren to the

front, but why draw age lines in the Convention? Ours is a deliberative body open to all. If a brother has something that ought to be said let him say it, be he old or young. The young men have been in evidence at recent sessions of the Convention and we have discovered no desire to suppress them. As for our part, we had rather suffer the loss of the disgruntled brother's presence than to miss the words of wisdom and experience that come from the lips of some of our older brethren who have, by their long time loyalty to our work, won a right to be heard in our deliberative bodies.

The following from *The Baptist Union* is a good take off on the modern evangelist with his multitudinous propositions:

There has come to us a good lesson from an old Scotchman, as told in one of our Presbyterian papers. An evangelistic service had been held in the city of Glasgow. At the close of the meeting the preacher said:

"Now all you good people who want to go to heaven with me, stand up."

Every one in the audience, with the exception of a sturdy old Scot in the front row, arose. The preacher was horrified. Wringing his hands in apparent grief, he said to the man:

"My good man, my good man, don't you want to go to heaven?"

Aye, awm gangin,' awm gangin,' but no wi' a pairsonally conducted party."

And yet some of us are relying upon "personally conducted parties" to take us into the kingdom. It is, after all, an individual matter, and not a company affair.

## Questions For the Southern Baptist Convention.

We may be thankful that questions arise every year to save the Southern Baptist Convention from becoming a mere mass meeting.

Before the Convention at Nashville will come Judge Hillyer's expansion resolution—a resolution to change the name of the Convention and broaden its domain. We do not object to any change that may be effected in perfect courtesy to the Northern Baptists, and our only fear of this resolution is that it might be construed as ignoring a great body of our brethren.

Prof. Pollard, of Kentucky, will offer a resolution with a view to taking charge of the Columbian University at Washington and making it a great Baptist University. So far this project has not met with great enthusiasm. But it is one of great importance. The Southern Baptists have a mission in education, which we hope shall soon be undertaken, whether we accept or reject the Columbian opportunity.

Perhaps some question may yet arise that will bring forward the divisions in the Southwest. But the opposite factions in that region have about concluded to oppose the Convention along with the rest of the universe.

Most important of all will be Prof.

Mitchell's resolution to appoint a commission to report on our mission to the negroes. It is certainly high time we had a definite policy in this matter.

And, maybe, the Home Board will make an outright attempt to answer the arguments of D. W. Key and others which have done more than many think to convince the brotherhood that the Home Board either has no field or is sowing its seed so broadcast that it cannot prove that it has one.

The Convention at Nashville should be worth while. There is no reason why it should wholly consist of rejoicing in increased gifts for missions and earnest appeals for more.—Biblical Recorder.

The above from *The Biblical Recorder* gives that paper's opinion of the leading questions to come before us at Nashville. It properly lays considerable stress on the resolution from the Va. General Association asking that a commission of our wisest and best men be appointed by the Convention to formulate some plan by which, as a denomination, we may accomplish something for the religious betterment of the Negro race. Since recent events in the political realm have forced the race

question to the front, it is well for us as Christians to consider our relation to the problem since Christianity is the only solvent which offers any hope.

## Southern Baptist Convention.

This body meets in its 49th session at Nashville on Friday, May 13th, 1904, and will therefore embrace the 3rd Sunday in May instead of the 2nd, as usual.

The Baptist Young People's Union and the American Baptist Education Society will meet Thursday May 12th, in the First Baptist Church.

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The more a man grows in God's sight the smaller he becomes in his own.—Ram's Horn.

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10:05 a. m.	10:00 p. m.	11:15 a. m.
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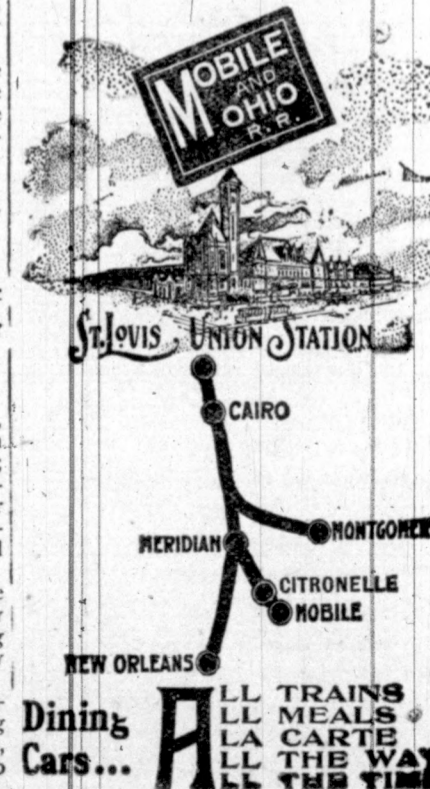
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Lv. Mobile.....	7:00am	4:10pm
" Orchard.....	7:27am	4:37pm
" Crusher.....	7:33am	4:43pm
" Semmes.....	7:40am	4:50pm
" Wilmer.....	7:57am	5:07pm
" Latonia.....	8:15am	5:23pm
" Brushy.....	8:20am	5:30pm
" Donovan.....	8:27am	5:37pm
" Evanston.....	8:36am	5:46pm
" Lucedale.....	8:43am	5:53pm
" Eubank.....	8:54am	6:04pm
" Bexley.....	9:02am	6:12pm
" Merrill.....	9:15am	6:25pm
" Leaf.....	9:32am	6:42pm
" McLain.....	9:48am	6:58pm
" Little Creek.....	9:54am	7:03pm
Ar. Beaumont.....	10:08am	7:17pm

**South Bound—Daily.**

Stations.	No. 1.	No. 3.
Ar. Mobile.....	12:31pm	7:33pm
" Orchard.....	12:05pm	7:07pm
" Crusher.....	11:59am	7:01pm
" Semmes.....	11:53am	6:55pm
" Wilmer.....	11:37am	6:39pm
" Latonia.....	11:20am	6:22pm
" Brushy.....	11:13am	6:15pm
" Donovan.....	11:06am	6:08pm
" Evanston.....	10:51am	5:59pm
" Lucedale.....	10:51am	5:53pm
" Eubank.....	10:40am	5:39pm
" Bexley.....	10:32am	5:31pm
" Merrill.....	10:19am	5:18pm
" Leaf.....	10:02am	5:01pm
" McLain.....	9:48am	4:45pm
" Little Creek.....	9:38am	4:39pm
Lv. Beaumont.....	9:25am	4:25pm

**NORTH BOUND.**  
No. 4—Daily.

7:18pm Lv. Beaumont.....	Ar. 9:24am
7:34pm " Wingate.....	" 9:08am
7:41pm " New Augusta.....	" 9:01am
7:49pm " Mahan.....	" 8:53am
8:04pm " Ragland.....	" 8:37am
8:13pm " McCallum.....	" 8:28am
8:35pm Ar. Hattiesburg.....	Lv. 8:07am

**SOUTH BOUND.**  
Daily—No. 1.

10:10am Lv. Beaumont.....	Ar. 4:23pm
10:31am " Hintonville.....	" 4:02pm
10:51am " Richton.....	" 3:42pm
11:12am " Loper.....	" 3:21pm
11:28am " Ovette.....	" 3:05pm
11:56am " Ellisville Jet.....	" 2:37pm
12:25pm Ar. Laurel.....	Lv. 2:08pm

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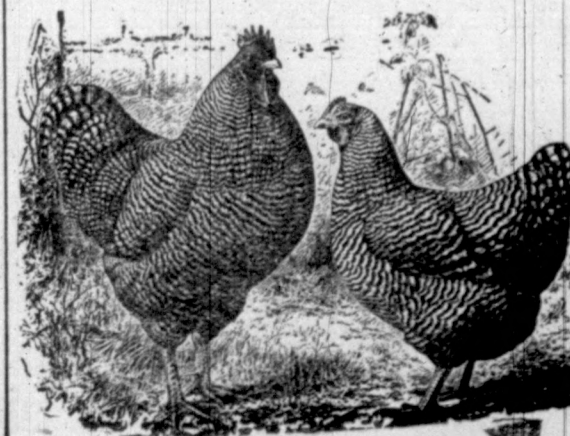
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Albert Edward was born in Smith county, Mississippi, October 25th, 1866. Died April 12th, 1904. He was the oldest son of Elisha and Elizabeth Edward.

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Deaths.

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## Deaths.

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## Mrs. Susie Moore.

Mrs. Susie Moore was born January 14th, 1848. Professed faith in Christ and united with the Baptist church at Bowling Green in her early girlhood. She was happily married to J. G. Moore December 8th, 1869. One year ago they came to Durant, but almost from that very time she lingered patiently under the hand of affliction which she bore with Christian fortitude till March 14th, 1904, when she fell asleep in Jesus. She leaves a devoted husband, four sons and one daughter to mourn their loss. But they weep not as those who have no hope.

A FRIEND.

## R. P. Bates.

Bro. R. P. Bates was born May 16th, 1853. Was married to Miss Ellen Bramblet on June 11th, 1874. Was baptized into the fellowship of the Bethel Church by Rev. T. C. Schilling, August, 1891. Died in Liberty, April 16th, 1904. His body was laid to rest in the family burying ground to await the resurrection of the believer, and his soul is gone to God who gave it. May the gracious and tender care of the Heavenly Father attend the bereaved widow and children, in the prayer of their pastor.

J. I. WALKER.

Berwick, Miss., April 15th, 1904.

## Albert Edward.

Albert Edward was born in Smith county, Mississippi, October 25th, 1866. Died April 12th, 1904. He was the oldest son of Elisha and Elizabeth Edward. Was married to Miss Willie Ann Burgess on the 3rd of December, 1886. He leaves a wife, ten children, father, mother, two brothers and two sisters. Before dying he expressed his sad regret to leave his family, but said he was prepared to meet his Savior and felt that God's grace was with him. A short time before death he called his father, mother, brothers and sisters and family and begged them to meet him in heaven. He was a member of Springfield Baptist Church. May God bless and keep his widowed wife and orphan children near his side.

W. P. CHAPMAN.

## W. T. Morgan.

W. T. Morgan died at Chapel Hill, Miss., February 25th, 1904; was born May 17th, 1837.

When a small boy he went to live with his uncle, J. R. Cooper, of Starkville, Miss. Early in life he made a profession of faith in Christ and united with the Starkville Baptist Church. He loved church work, was for some time superintendent of the Starkville Sunday School. In 1864 he was married to Miss Lizzie A. Fariss, of Hinds county. In 1884, they with six children moved to Duck Hill, Miss. She died in 1890. In 1891 he moved to Hinds county, where he lived until his death. He leaves five children, one daughter having gone before. Perhaps at Starkville he was best known and appreciated, having spent his best years there; but none who knew him well could doubt his Christian integrity. It is hard to give up loved

ones, especially father and mother, but what a blessed thing is the Christian's hope. Their chief aim was to raise their children to be useful Christians. May they honor the memory of a Christian father and mother.

His daughter,

BESSIE M. RATHER.

## Married.

## Shows—Traylor.

On April 10th, 1904, at the home of Henry Traylor, near Shivers, Miss., Mr. J. M. Shows and Miss Jennie Traylor were married, R. Drummond officiating.

## Anderson—Sandidge.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sandidge, at Brownsville, Miss., Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, April 10th, 1904, Mr. Arthur Anderson and Miss Laura Sandidge were joined in wedlock, the writer officiating. Mr. Anderson is one of Hinds county's most prominent farmers, and very popular. The bride is the pretty daughter of one of the best families of Hinds county. The best wishes of their hundreds of friends go with them. May this young couple be happy in each other's love, and useful in the church and State.

W. E. FAHR.

Clinton, Miss., April 11, 1904.

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## MISSISSIPPI STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, MERIDIAN, MISS.

MAY 5 AND 7. The A. & V. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Meridian for one fare plus 25 cents, on May 4, 5 and 6, with final limit May 9th.

## INTERSTATE SUGAR CANE GROWERS' ASSOCIATION, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

The A. & V. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Jacksonville, Fla., on May 2 and 3, for one fare plus 25 cents, with final limit May 9.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DALLAS, TEX.

The A. & V. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Dallas, Texas, on May 15, 16, 17 and 18, with final limit May 31. Fare from Jackson will be \$14.75.

## LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION, ST. LOUIS, MO.

The A. & V. R. R. will begin selling tickets to St. Louis, Mo., for the Exposition on April 25, selling daily. Fare \$25.45 sold daily with final limit December 15; fare \$21.25 sold daily with final limit 60 days from date of sale; fare \$18 sold daily with final limit 15 days from date of sale. Children between 8 and 12 years old will be half of the above rates. We will also have a coach excursion on May 19, for which we will sell round trip tickets to St. Louis for \$11.45 with final limit 10 days from date of sale. Please note these tickets will only be sold May 19th.

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## Program.

April, 1904.

Programs are suggestive. The introduction of new features, selection of additional hymns, subjects of prayer, etc., are left with the Society.

Subject: "The Colored People."

Do the duty that lies nearest to you.

1. The Lord's Prayer in concert.
2. Self-Denial—a condition of discipleship: Luke 14:27; 1 John 2:3-10; Example, Rom. 15:1, 5; Rom. 12: 1, 19-21.
3. Ask forgiveness for past shortcomings; for the Savior's presence at the meeting.

4. Leaflet: "The Colored People," in Questions and Answers. A good plan: Let the Leader ask the questions; if they cannot be answered, let her give printed answers, afterwards reviewing them.

5. For Emphasis: "Nearly 40 per cent. of all our population in the South are Negroes, and Southern people are doing almost nothing for them. Can you realize what this must mean to the South in a few years?"—Dr. F. H. Kerfoot.

6. Leaflet: "House-Top Saint."

7. Encouragement to Prayer: "God rules the world by the prayer of His saints. Prayer is the power by which Satan is conquered. The power of believing prayer is simply irresistible."

8. Subjects of prayer: That the great problem of the South—the Colored People—may be solved by Christianity. For Christ-like sympathy with those who are trying to live right, and for His compassion towards the lowest.

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9. Business, collection, etc.

10. Direct attention to "Bright Hours" (see April Foreign Missionary Journal). Testimony of an experienced Leader: "It is the finest help to all kinds of mission work I have ever had."

11. Close with "Helpful Thoughts from Master Workers" (Page 2 of "Mission Manual").

## Odd Sights and Customs in China.

The traveler on the road to Peking has his interest awakened and his sense of humor quickened by many picturesque scenes and unique situations in the life about him. On approaching the city he meets with more than one odd means of conveyance. Long lines of donkeys make their way along the road topped with Chinamen whose size overshadow the small beasts beneath them. Following the donkeys and their riders come coolies with their creaking wheelbarrows. The coolies, with their strong muscles and bronzed, perspiring skins, seem to do their work with slight effort. Their wheelbarrows resemble small jaunting cars on a single wheel, and often carry passengers. The ludicrous sight of a farmer and a pig balancing each other on their journey to the city is not uncommon. In the north these wheelbarrows are employed largely for carrying goods, and it is an odd Chinese habit to occasionally furnish them with a calico sail to catch the wind. Mule litters and sedan chairs add their touch of quaintness; while after them come long lines of silent-footed camels, each tied by a string through the nose to the tail of the one in front. The leader's neck is adorned with a deep-toned bell, and a Mongol sways



half asleep on his back, his brilliant clothing adding color to the scene. Some of these camels have traveled over many miles of desert sands before they came in sight of the walls of Peking.

Mongolian camels are of the two-humped species. They have remarkable endurance, and will eat almost anything that would suit the appetite of a goat. Leather, old tents, saddles or the wiry growths of the desert will sustain them, but they must have salt and a dry climate to flourish. They are patient animals, but unable to defend themselves from attacks by wolves and birds of prey. During the summer, while eating grass, they put on too much flesh. This condition is bettered in a remarkable fashion. They are fastened by their halters to a long rope stretched between two poles driven into the ground. In this way they are kept standing, sometimes as long as ten days, without food, being given a little water every third or fourth day. This method hardens them and fits them for a long journey without in any way being injurious to them. The Mongol is at home on the camel's back. He can read or even write there, while the front hump of the animal serves him as a pillow when sleep overcomes him. His camel provides him with milk, and also with wool for clothing, besides being his companion and of his entire means of livelihood.

Within the walls of Peking the streets rival description. Through their center runs a loose embankment of earth wide enough for passing traffic. A hollow separates the embankment from the houses, and a beaten track in the mud or dust furnishes a footpath. During the summer rains the thoroughfares become almost impassable. Men and animals have been drowned in the deeper hollows formed between the embankment and the houses. On dark nights, when footpads, cesspools and boundary stones are submerged, it is only a native who can make a tour down the street without risk. The major-

ity of Chinese stay at home after dark, but when called out, always go attended by their paper lanterns. Without lanterns, in Peking, one might almost as well be born blind.

The "Golds" is the peculiar name of a tribe in Manchuria who make their living entirely by hunting and fishing. The salmon in their rivers is so large and plentiful that the people of this tribe use their skins for clothing in summer, the women embroidering them elaborately. The brilliant color of the salmon skin, together with the various tints of embroidery, give the tribe the name of Golds. They are also called the Fish-skin people.

Opium is used as money in some parts of Manchuria. The laborer prefers to take his pay in opium, as it is easy to carry and increases in value as he travels southward. Manchuria also has a silver currency of an odd nature. Bars of silver are carried about and are cut in pieces to suit the amount needed. The use of tea tablets is still another form of currency. These are used in Eastern Mongolia. The tea is molded and pressed solid, then sawed into small lumps, which buyers either carry in their arms to market, or tie to their saddles, from which storehouse they barter it for other goods. A sheep costs from ten to fifteen bricks of tea, a camel from one hundred and twenty to one hundred and fifty. Lately Chinese brass cash is more widely used.

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China is full of superstition. One of the oldest of these beliefs is that held in southwestern China, where the natives believe that demons can only travel in a straight line; so to baffle them the paths through fields, or near water, or along hillsides are curved and twisted in a marvelous fashion. In this way they feel they are securing their lives against pestilence and famine, or other misfortune. In the same region they have a poetic legend giving the origin of the rainbow. The story runs that two young Meaos fell deeply in love, but their marriage was opposed by their parents. Their parting was so bitter that life became joyless to them, and in the end both died. They were buried on either side of a sparkling lake, from whose shores there arose one day a column of vapor which met above, the water forming a bow of most beautiful coloring. Thus the parting in life was more than compensated in death by the perpetual and beautiful memorial which bound them together. These are but a few of the customs and legends which prevail in that country of the Far East which is most prominently in our minds today.—Elizabeth L. Gebhard in Christian Work—Religious Herald.

## The Editor's Song.

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BY EVERETT M'NEIL.

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E. GARDNER.

**Brenau Summer Session.**

Messrs. Foote and Davies, of Atlanta, have just issued for Brenau College Conservatory one of the handsomest catalogues ever sent out by a Southern institution. It is an announcement of the Summer Session of the Conservatory, which begins on June 22, and continues six weeks. The pamphlet is a thing of beauty and reflects credit upon the institution it represents and also upon Messrs. Foote and Davies, whose work it is. For full particulars of Summer Session, address

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**A Commendation.**

I write to commend to our brethren in the ministry in our State Bro. W. A. Jordan, the new pastor at Amory. He is an ex-Tennessee man, late from Missouri, and a noble fellow. He has been known to me for about fourteen years. He has a fine field for work at Amory and is able to do it. I commend him to you all, my brethren.

Our church here at Tupelo has just finished their Home and Foreign Mission collections. We reached \$234.40 for the two. This is quite an increase and all seem happy. I hope our State shall reach the desired amounts before next week closes. If each one does what he can, we will reach the amounts. Your paper, our paper, is fine.

R. A. KIMBROUGH.

**To the Southern Baptist Convention.**

To Brethren and Sisters all along the Valley Road:

A number of us have agreed to get together on the night train of May 10, going by way of Memphis to Nashville.

We will reach Memphis Wednesday morning, May 11th, and get a train immediately for Nashville, reaching there in the afternoon of the same day, thus having a daylight run from Memphis to Nashville, over the Louisville and Nashville Railroad. Mrs. McComb will ac-

company me and we will be glad to have all our brethren and sisters along the Valley Road, and accessible to it, to join us. A card to me at Gloster will be answered and give details of the trip.

Let us have a good party from the Delta Valley and Southwest Mississippi and Northwest La.

Very truly,  
W. A. McComb.

**Okolona.**

Rejoice with us!! God through the instrumentality of our pastor, H. A. Smoot, has blessed our church with a great revival—14 days meeting—14 for baptism and 5 by letter, and 30 standing up for an interest in our prayers at the last service. Our little sputtering, flickering candle which had almost been extinguished has been touched as it were by an electric spark from God through Bro. Smoot, and brotherly love seems to prevail in our church once more. Our pastor is a bright and shining vessel of the Lord—full and running over, sound in Baptist doctrine and firm in the faith once delivered to the saints. He carried on the meeting by himself and the Lord, preaching twice a day for 14 days. Glorious!! Before the meeting he had raised \$800, paid out our pastor's home and burnt the papers. Raised \$62.50 for State missions and nearly a hundred for foreign missions. His worth cannot be computed in \$'s and cts.

A MEMBER.

**Gillsburg, Miss.**

I write to tell you of the good protracted meeting we had with the Gillsburg church, beginning Saturday before the first Sunday in April and closing Friday night. The pastor began the meeting by preaching Saturday and Sunday. Bro. J. F. Tull, of Gallman, came to our assistance Monday morning and preached with earnestness and power true gospel sermons until he had to leave us Friday afternoon.

I do not believe the good people of Gillsburg could have been prouder to have with them any one more than they were to have Bro. Tull, whom they call one of their "boys." He lived here and struggled through the Gillsburg Collegiate Institute, working with his own hands to pay his way. I am sure he was reminded of what a noble good people I serve.

As a result of the meeting five happy converts were buried in

Tickfaw by the pastor.

Yours in the work,

JOSEPH JACOB.

**A Great Meeting at Prentiss.**

Prentiss is a brand new town, just entering the second year of its existence, situated on the Pearl and Leaf River Railroad, in Lawrence County.

Coming here in January I found a little Baptist organization that had just been constituted by Williams and Drumond, two alert preachers of this section. A great meeting has just closed, held in the new school house, Bro. J. A. Lee, of Wesson, doing the preaching. The preaching was of that solid sort that builds up rather than puffs up. In his earnestness, careful articulation and plain-spoken heart to heart appeals to men he reminded me of Geo. W. Truett, while in his clear, musical and bell like voice as at times he would grow supremely eloquent, he would remind me of R. A. Venable as sometimes the Dr. will give himself to a strain of eloquence in a sermon. Lee is indeed an able preacher of the gospel.

Some of the immediate visible results of the meeting are thirty-six additions, seven of which were for baptism, and the religion of the town thoroughly revived. These additions together with those added before the meeting brings our church up to a membership of sixty-five. The assisting minister was paid forty-odd dollars, without a committee or public collection, the pastor was handed during the week over twenty dollars for missions and the last night at Bro. Lee's suggestion in a few minutes \$15.00 was made up to help send the pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention. Let us praise God for the work.

T. J. MOORE.

Prentiss, Miss.

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